In the name and by the authority of

# The State of Texas

## OATH OF OFFICE

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### INSTRUCTIONS

#### EXECUTION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

Pursuant to Tex. Const. art. XVI, § 1 (e) and (f) (amended 1989), the Oath of Office may not be taken until a signed statement (Statement of Elected/Appointed Officer or Pre-Oath Statement) has been filed with the Secretary of State. The Statement is considered filed once it has been received by this office.

Gubernatorial appointees who are appointed during a legislative session <u>may not</u> execute their Oath until after confirmation by the Senate. Tex. Const. art. IV, § 12.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office may be administered by anyone authorized under the provisions of Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 602.002 or § 602.006 (Vernon 1994). Commonly used officials include notaries public and judges.

The seal of the person administering the Oath should be visible. If the person is a notary public, Tex. Gov't Code Ann. § 406.013 (Vernon 1990), requires that the seal be affixed in a way "that legibly reproduces the required elements of the seal under photographic methods".

#### FILING OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

After their Statement of Officer has been properly filed, gubernatorial appointees, district judges, and district attorneys should file their Oaths of Office with the Secretary of State, Statutory Documents Section, P. O. Box 12887, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

All other persons should file their Oaths locally. Please check with the county clerk, city secretary or board/commission secretary for the proper filing location.

\*\*\* PLEASE DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE STATUTORY DOCUMENTS SECTION AT (512) 463-5654. \*\*\*